

## GRANTING LANDS TO CASCADE COUNTY, MONT., FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES

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Mr. LEAVITT, from the Committee on the Public Lands, submitted  
the following

### REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 11540]

The Committee on the Public Lands, to whom was referred H. R. 11540, making a grant of land for school purposes, Fort Shaw Division, Sun River project, Montana, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon and recommends that the bill do pass with the following amendments:

Line 5, strike out the word "east" and insert in lieu thereof the word "north."

On line 6, strike out the words "fifty-four" and insert in lieu thereof "seventy-six."

On line 8, following the word "purposes," strike out the period and insert in lieu thereof a semicolon and add:

*Provided*, That this grant is made upon the payment of \$1.25 per acre: *Provided further*, That said patent shall be issued upon the express condition that the said school district shall use said tract of land for public-school purposes: *Provided further*, That whenever said land shall cease to be used by said school district for school purposes or attempted to be sold or conveyed, then, and in that event, title to such land and the whole thereof shall revert to the United States: *Provided further*, That such patent shall contain a reservation to the United States of all gas, oil, coal, and other mineral deposits as may be found in such land and the right to the use of the land for extracting and removing the same.

The report of the Secretary of the Interior reads as follows:

THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR,  
February 13, 1925.

Hon. N. J. SINNOTT,  
Chairman Committee on the Public Lands,  
House of Representatives.

MY DEAR MR. SINNOTT: Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of January 15, 1925, transmitting copy of a bill, H. R. 11540, with request for a report thereon. The bill is entitled as follows:

"A bill making a grant of land for school purposes, Fort Shaw Division, Sun River project, Montana."

It authorizes and directs the Secretary of the Interior to issue patent conveying what are described as lots 14 and 15, section 2, and lots 11 and 12, section 11, township 20 east, range 2 west, Sun River project, Montana, to school district No. 82, Cascade County, State of Montana.

Upon investigation of the matter I find that there would be no objection to the issue of such patent to the school district, and I therefore suggest favorable action on the bill.

Attention is invited to what appears to be an error in description. I believe in line 5 the township should read 20 "North" instead of 20 "East." The total area involved should read 30.76 instead of 30.54 acres as now shown.

Very truly yours,

HUBERT WORK, *Secretary.*

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